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The tenth annual convention of the Synod of Nebraska met this (Wednesday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock, in the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church at Waverly, Lancaster county, Neb., Rev. M. L. Melick, pastor.

The opening sermon was preached by the President, Rev. G. H. Schnur, from 1 Cor. iv. 1, 2.

FIRST DAY—FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 8:30 A. M.

Synod convened and spent a half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. D. H. Shultz.

At 9 o'clock the President formally opened the first business session of Synod in the following form:

The opening service in the Book of Worship, singing, reading of the 2d chapter of Colossians and prayer.

Synodical Roll.

The Clerical roll was called and absentees noted.

The Lay Delegates presented their credentials and their names were placed on the roll of membership.

The following list of members constitutes the Synod of this Convention:

	Members.	Residence.	Lay Delegate.
1.	Rev. Aughey, Prof. S., LL. D.	Lincoln, Neb.	
2.	" Cook, S.	Peach Grove, Sarpy Co., Neb.	
3.	" Cressman, M. S.	Lincoln, Neb.	M. L. Easterday.
4.	" Dirks, J. H.	Febing, Nemaha Co., Neb.	
5.	" Fricke, J. W.*	Wisner, Cuming Co., Neb.	
6.	" Grösenmiller, J. G.	Hanover, Washington Co., Neb.	
7.	" Gutleben, J.	Fontanelle, Washington Co., Neb.	
8.	" Grommisch, W. Th.†	Tecumseh, Neb.	
9.	" Huber, C.	Clear Creek, Saunders Co., Neb.	J. Bender.
10.	" Kimmel, J. W.	Tekamah, Burt Co., Neb.	G. A. Crannell.
11.	" Kuss, Otto	Ponca, Dixon Co., Neb.	
12.	" Lenker, J. N.	Sunbury, Northumberland Co., Pa.	
13.	" Ludwig, A. T.	West Point, Cuming Co., Neb.	
14.	" Moessner, Chr.	Columbia, Platte Co., Neb.	
15.	" Melick, M. L.	Waverly, Lancaster Co., Neb.	J. J. Stein.
16.	" Nagel, G.	Barada, Richardson Co., Neb.	
17.	" Rosenstengel, Wm.	Nebraska City, Neb.	C. Heise.
18.	" Schnur, G. H.	Wayne, Wayne Co., Neb.	
19.	" Schnure, J. P.	Dakota City, Neb.	Sam'l Heikes.
20.	" Scheibel, F. W.‡	Amazon, Franklin Co., Neb.	
21.	" Shultz, D. H.	Rising, Butler Co., Neb.	W. P. Miller.
22.	" Siekman, H.	Hastings, Neb.	
23.	" Simpson, G. W.‡	Port Robinson, Neb.	
24.	" Shrader, A. B.*	Ponca, Dixon Co., Neb.	
25.	" Stelling, G. F., D. D.	Omaha, Neb.	C. F. Goodman.
26.	" Stebbins, C. H.†	Red Cloud, Webster Co., Neb.	John Bayha.
27.	" Spriegel, F.	Nebawka, Cass Co., Neb.	
28.	" Thoele, Wm.	Ohiowa, Cass co., Neb.	
29.	" Tjaden, M. J.	Lennox, Lincoln Co., Dakota Ter.	
30.	" Wolff, J.	Hooper, Dodge Co., Neb.	
31	" Zimmerman, J.	Dakota, Neb.	

*Ordained at this meeting. †Licensed at this meeting. ‡Absent and excused.

New Members.

The following clerical members were received on certificate of honorable dismission from other Synods:

Rev. Wm. Rosenstengel, from the Synod of Central Illinois.

Rev. G. F. Stelling, D. D., from the Miami Synod.

Rev. O. Kuss, from the New York and New Jersey Synod.

Rev. C. Huber, from the Susquehanna Synod.

Rev. J. N. Lenker, from the Susquehanna Synod.

Rev. A. B. Shrader, from the Allegheny Synod.

Rev. M. S. Cressman, from the Synod of West Pennsylvania.

Rev. H. Siekman, from the Evangelical Synod of North America.

Advisory Members.

Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D., from the Synod of East Pennsylvania; Rev. E. Unangst, D. D., India Missionary; Rev. S. B. Barnitz, Western Secretary of Home Missions; Rev. I. N. Augustine, from the Synod of Northern Indiana.

Delegates from Sister Synods.

Rev. B. F. Pugh, from the Synod of Northern Illinois, presented his credentials, and was received as a member of this body.

The President read his annual report, which was received, and afterwards referred to a committee.

President's Report.

DEAR BRETHREN: In this tenth annual convention, the "Synod of Nebraska" meets with greater ecclesiastical power than at any previous session, and also with greater prosperity throughout the State, gathering more bountiful harvests than any year of its existence.

Our good Master has graciously spared all our ministers since last Synod, but as we were then called upon to report the decease of two of our pastors' wives, so our Heavenly Father recently removed another who has been the strong support of your humble officer in laborious fields of labor for twenty years. Also, a highly esteemed brother has felt constrained to leave us for a milder climate, hoping thereby to improve the health of his wife. Our Synod will now present quite a changed aspect, as a goodly number have removed who have been at the head of our work in the State; but a larger number have come to our important field, and promise to be faithful workers.

We humbly and thankfully acknowledge God's guidance in the past, and pray His continued favors in the future.

The items of our Annual Report are as follows:

DISMISSIONS.

Letters of honorable dismission were granted the following:

1. Rev. J. Bond, of Glasco, Kansas, having accepted a call to Beardstown, Illinois, was dismissed to the Wartburg Synod, December 5, 1881.

2. Rev. J. C. Brodführer found a field of labor in connection with "Marion Female College" in Virginia, and was at his own request dismissed to the Synod of Southwestern Virginia, on April 5, 1882.

3. June 15, 1882, Rev. C. Anderson was dismissed to the Synod of Northern Illinois, as he took charge of a new work within its bounds.

4. Rev. W. A. Lipe also withdrew to the same Synod, within whose territory he is now laboring. His letter is dated September 2, 1882.

5. Rev. J. Duiss, at his own request, was dismissed to the Synod of the West, taking charge of a German congregation near St. Louis, Mo. He goes to this milder climate for the benefit of his wife, and hopes to be united with us again in the future. His letter is dated September 12, 1882.

6. The Church papers informed me that Rev. J. E. Kuhlman has returned to Pennsylvania.

7. Rev. C. Nagel proposes to relinquish the ministry, and turn his attention to a more private occupation. He will be at Synod and inform us personally.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Letters and papers in due form have come to my hands, and are herewith submitted to Synod for examination.

1. November 10, 1881, from Dr. Springer, President of the Synod of Central Illinois, transferring Rev. Wm. Rosenstengel to our Synod.

2. January 9, 1882, from Dr. Ort, President of the Miami Synod, dismissing Rev. G. F. Stelling, D. D., to this body.

3. Rev. O. Kuss sent his dismissal from the New York and New Jersey Synod, July 7, 1882.

4. August 14, 1882, Rev. C. Huber sent me his letter from the Susquehanna Synod to our body.

5. Rev. A. B. Shrader, licentiate of the Allegheny Synod, and late of the Seminary at Gettysburg, informed me August 27, 1882, that he was about to take charge at Ponca, and would soon forward me his letter of dismissal.

6. August 31, 1882, Rev. M. S. Cressman forwarded his dismissal from the Synod of West Pennsylvania.

7. Rev. M. J. Tjaden, of Lennox, Lincoln county, Dakota Territory, wrote me September 5, 1882, stating that he had requested the President of the Wartburg Synod to forward me his letter of dismissal.

8. A brother, C. H. Stebbins, of Roanoke College, Virginia, has taken temporary charge at Red Cloud, under the direction of Brother Kimmel, who informs me that he will be with us as a candidate for licensure or ordination, as Synod may decide.

9. Rev. H. Siekman, of Hastings, who has been without Synodical relation for a number of years, became acquainted with some of our pastors and exchanged letters with me during the year, will be present and apply for membership. I encouraged him to come to Waverly, and so far as I knew, there would be no particular hindrance in the way of his uniting with Synod.

10. Evangelist J. Gutleben, who has been active as such in Europe for over ten years, has just come to Fontanelle as successor of Brother Duiss, and wishes to become a member of this Synod by ordination, or licensure, if that cannot be, but felt that it would not be possible for him to attend this convention.

INSTALLATIONS.

1. Rev. Moessner, in a new field of labor near Columbus, Platte county November 20, 1881, by Brother Wolff.

2. Rev. Wm. Rosenstengel, in Nebraska City, by Rev. Dirks, December 4, 1881.

3. Rev. H. W. Fricke, near Wisner, January 2, 1882, by G. H. Schnur.

4. Rev. M. S. Cressman, at Lincoln, September 24, 1882, by Dr. Conrad, editor of the *Lutheran Observer*, and Brother S. B. Barnitz.

5. Rev. M. L. Melick, of Waverly, will be installed during our session of Synod.

CHURCH DEDICATIONS.

1. Trinity, at Oakland, Rev. Kimmel, pastor, December 4, 1881; Rev. J. P. Schnure officiated.

2. December 5, 1881, near Columbus, Rev. Moessner, pastor; Rev. Wolff officiated.

3. February 5, 1882, we entered our chapel at Wayne, which was built during January.

4. Brother Cressman informed me that the Lincoln Mission would dedicate their house of worship September 24, 1882, and that Dr. Conrad would officiate.

5. The Waverly Mission will consecrate their church October 1, 1882, in the presence of the Synod of Nebraska.

VACANCIES SUPPLIED.

1. Nebraska City, where Brother Kuhlman and Dr. Kunkelman had resigned, was supplied soon after our last session of Synod by Rev. W. Rosenstengel—the German and English interests uniting in his call.

2. Ponca was vacated a year ago by the undersigned, but on June 1, 1882, Rev. Kuss took charge of our German element, and on August 13, 1882, Rev. Shrader of the English.

3. Rev. Dr. Stelling became the successor of Dr. Baugher at Omaha, and entered upon that important field October 1, 1881.

4. Evangelist Gutleben is at Fontanelle, just vacated by Rev. Daiss.

VACANCIES NOT SUPPLIED.

1. Glasco, Kansas, was vacated by Rev. J. Bond soon after our Synod at Tekamah. This congregation united with our Synod a few years ago, and has caused considerable perplexity and correspondence during the year, without desirable results. Some responsible pastor or missionary should visit them and learn their wants. Rev. Bond would return to the field for $100 a year from the Board.

2. Orleans. This point has also been a source of much annoyance since last Synod, for want of necessary knowledge on their part, and a lack of imparting information by others, they did not unite with our Synod at Tekamah, and therefore could not receive aid from the Board. This kept Brother Scheibel from moving among them and taking charge, as was intended a year ago. They have adopted our bases of Synod, and we hope the necessary union will be effected at this session.

3. West Point became vacant the first of May, when Rev. Ludwig sent his resignation to the Board. But as there was no one to succeed him, he con-

tinued his services to the congregation until recently. Brother Ludwig deserves credit for his activity in securing and paying for a church lot, well located. This move should have been made years ago, and a house built, when it could have been done much easier than now. This is another plain case of neglect, and quite a loss to our interests. The undersigned visited West Point in August, spent several days including a Sunday, preached for the people, and made an effort to secure another pastor.

MISSION POINTS.

We rejoice in being able to report considerable progress in the development and supply of mission points during the year.

1. Lincoln has Rev. Cressman earnestly at work, with a house of worship just dedicated. The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod have undertaken his support.

2. Clear Creek, Saunders county, has procured our earnest brother, Rev. C. Huber, who officiates readily in the English and German languages.

3. Red Cloud has for some time been satisfactorily supplied by a brother, C. H. Stebbins, who will be present for licensure, or ordination, as Synod shall determine.

4. Blair was vacated by the removal of Brother Lipe.

5. Hastings has been longing for an English pastor for some time, but as I have learned that Rev. Martinis, of Canton, Illinois, will surely locate there the first of next December, further statements are unnecessary.

6. North Platte appears to present a good opening; a man adapted to the place would get a better support than many engaged elsewhere. German and English are required.

7. Kearney.

8. Wymore.

9. Grand Island.

10. Central City.

11. Beatrice.

12. Falls City.

All these have become important places, and will be noticed by the Advisory Mission Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. The appointment of a Committee on Vacancies and Mission Points, who shall suggest some plan to provide for Glasco, Kansas, and Orleans, Nebraska, at an early hour of this convention.

2. That all the congregations composing this Sypod be recorded by the Secretaries in the Minutes of this convention; and as near as can be, in the order in which they were received.

3. That any of our pastors who may serve congregations not in connection with this body be earnestly requested to inform them of the necessity and benefit to themselves and others by such union. They also have the privilege to get any member of Synod, whom such pastor shall consider best adapted, to bring this matter before his people.

4. We not only recommend the *propriety*, but a real *necessity* of appointing a suitable member of Synod to visit new fields and mission points, especially among the Germans, and enable them to understand the basis of the General Synod, the uses of District Synods, and, if possible, obtain their hearty union and co-operation, even if Synod must bear some expenses of travel.

Respectfully submitted, G. H. SCHNUR.

Waverly, Nebraska, September 28, 1882.

Treasurer's Report.

To the Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:—Your Treasurer would beg leave to report that he charges and credits himself, as per moneys received, and per vouchers, with the following amounts, from October 5, 1881, to September 28, 1882, including money received at Waverly:

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To Home Missions	$243 60
" Foreign Missions	240 83
" Church Extension	88 61
" Synodical Treasury	173 38
" General Synod	50 91
" Traveling State Missionary	15 00
" Carthage College	2 00
Total	$814 33

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To Home Missions	$132 00	
" Foreign Missions	240 83	
" Church Extension	25 00	
" Synodical Treasury	93 59	
" Traveling State Missionary	10 00	
		$501 42

TO BALANCE.

Home Missions	$111 60
Church Extension	63 61
Synodical Treasury	79 79
General Synod	50 91
Traveling State Missionary	5 00
Carthage College	2 00
Total	$312 91

Respectfully submitted, C. F. GOODMAN.

Election of Officers.

President—Rev. G. H. Schnur.
English Secretary—Rev. C. Huber.
German Secretary—Rev. J. H. Dirks.
Treasurer—Mr. C. F. Goodman.

Examining Committee.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended, in order to appoint an Examining Committee.

The following were appointed:

Revs. G. F. Stelling, D. D., J. G. Gröenmiller, J. Wolff, J. P. Schnure, and J. H. Dirks.

Upon motion, the time of meeting and adjournment was agreed upon as follows:

Meet at 8:30 a. m., and devote the first half hour to devotional exercises. Adjourn at 11:30; meet at 1:30 p. m., and adjourn at 4:30 p. m. Evening exercises at 7:30.

The time for adjournment having arrived, Synod closed with prayer.

FIRST DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Synod convened at the hour previously agreed upon.

Opened with prayer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected and approved.

Committees.

The President announced the following committees, and assigned them their work:

No. 1. On the President's Report—Revs. J. G. Gröenmiller, J. Wolff, and Mr. J. P. Bayha.

No. 2. Auditing Committee—Messrs. M. L. Easterday, J. Bender, and Rev. J. N. Lenker.

No. 3. Parochial Reports—Revs. J. Zimmerman and J. P. Schnure.

No. 4. Minutes of Last Year—Revs. D. H. Shultz, O. Kuss, Mr. G. A. Crannell.

No. 5. On Excuses—Revs. J. P. Schnure, C. Moessner, and Mr. C. Heise.

No. 6. Journals and Sermons of Licentiates—Examining Committee.

No. 7. Reception of New Congregations—Revs. J. W. Kimmel, A. T. Ludwig, and Mr. J. J. Stein.

No. 8. On Paper from the Missionary Conference held at Nebraska City—Revs. M. S. Cressman, W. Thoele, and A. B. Shrader.

No. 9. On Vacant Congregations—Revs. M. S. Cressman, J. Wolff, and Mr. W. Miller.

No. 10. On Apportionment—Revs. D. H. Shultz, J. P. Schnure, J. Zimmerman.

Excused.

On motion, Rev. G. F. Stelling, D. D., and Mr. C. F. Goodman, were excused from further attendance of Synod.

Advisory Members.

On motion, Rev. I. N. Augustine, of the Synod of Northern Illinois, was received as an advisory member.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended in order to hear the report of the Advisory Mission Committee.

Annual Report of the Advisory Mission Committee of Nebraska Synod, Ending September 28, 1882.

DEAR BRETHREN.—In submitting our report, we realize that it is not what it should be. Two of the members have been providentially hindered from doing much active work—Brother Daiss, by the severe illness of his wife, and Brother Schnur, in the severe illness and death of his estimable wife. Therefore we ask charitable criticisms.

1. *Traveling Missionary.*—This Synod will remember that at its last meeting a resolution was adopted asking that Rev. Kuhlman be recommended to the Board of Home Missions as a suitable man for the traveling missionary work, and that he be appointed. As the President of the Board of Home Missions was present, and assured us in the discussion that the Board would appoint Brother K., we, as a Committee, did not suppose any action on our part was necessary, and it was not until in December that our attention was called to the matter. About December 1st, we received a letter from Rev. K., saying he had received no appointment from the Board, and was much discouraged. Your chairman wrote at once to the Board, asking that he be appointed at once, said appointment to date from October 1st. At the December meeting of the Board, he was appointed as requested. A meeting of the Advisory Missionary Committee was then called to meet January 5th at Fontanelle, to decide on a plan of work for the traveling missionary, and to decide on amount of salary to be paid by Nebraska Synod. Rev. Kuhlman was requested to be present, but was not. Two of the members of the committee being present—Revs. Kimmel and Daiss—we decided, 1st. That as Rev. Kuhlman had said that the places visited would pay at least $300 a year, we, as a Synod, would pay $200, which,

with the $500 to be received from the Women's Missionary Society, would make a salary of $1,000. 2d. That we, as a Committee, would expect a monthly report from the traveling missionary of all work done, and that the same report should be published in the Church papers that all might know of the progress.

The report of this meeting was at once sent to Rev. Kuhlman for his acceptance. He replied that the promises of Nebraska Synod were worthless, because they did not redeem them. To try and satisfy on this point, your chairman agreed to become personally responsible for the prompt payment of $50 every quarter during the year. He then objected to the 2d item, and would not report to anybody, and declined to accept the appointment of the B. H. M, for the same reason.

Having now had all the experience we desired with traveling missionaries, and having through the benevolence of Tekamah mission received permission your chairman concluded to experiment in traveling missionary work.

(1) We left home February 27th. Red Cloud was first visited. Here some work had been done, and advice given. After a little work here we organized with 17 members, all active workers. Have already a pastor in the field, a Woman's Missionary Society in active working order, and a Sunday-school second to none in the town, and have two delegates to this convention.

(2) North Platte was also visited. They were much encouraged and want a pastor as soon as the litigation fight about some church lots they have is satisfactorily settled: this has not yet been done. The lots are worth $6,000 cash. The congregation numbers 19 good, substantial people. They need the continued attention of Synod. The field is a good one for our church.

(3) Hastings. We visited this very important point and did some canvassing. They are ready to organize whenever a pastor can be found for them. We have been in correspondence with several brethren in the East, and have now succeeded in getting the promise from Rev. Alfred Martinis, of Canton, Illinois. He will enter upon his duties December 1st, 16 miles northeast of Hastings. We organized in March a congregation with 11 members. This with Hastings will form a pastorate, and will pay $300 in cash, furnish a house and ten acres of ground free for the use of the pastor. They will be self-sustaining from the start.

(4) Grand Island. A very thriving city of 4,000 inhabitants, was visited in March, at the urgent solicitation of George Thummel, a prominent lawyer of the place, and the advice of Dr. Stelling. We only had about six hours to spend, but found several families who expressed a desire for the church. But on account of other engagements they had for the evening, we were only able to get four of the brethren together. With these we organized St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Grand Island—the chairman of the Advisory Mission Committee of Nebraska Synod being constituted one of the trustees until a pastor is in the field. Here we have lots in the business portion of the city; $342.50 has already been received from them in rents, and $175 has been expended in sidewalks; have now in the treasury $167.50, and the lots are now leased for $450

a year, and can be sold at any time for $3,000 in cash. Here is a fine opening, and a pastor should be in the field at once.

(5) Central City, 25 miles east of Grand Island, a town of 1,200 inhabitants, was visited once. We found four families of Lutherans. One man, Mr. J. Osterling, a young, energetic banker, an active Lutheran from infancy, is a host in himself; and Jonathan Tressler, recently from Ohio, is an enthusiastic, pious, devoted worker. These two brethren, with their families, make a fine nucleus for our church, with a large number of Scandinavian Lutherans in the country near by. This and Grand Island might be served by one man for some time.

(6) Kearney. This town of 2,500 inhabitants, 600 of whom have been Lutherans (all Scandinavians), was visited three times. Before my last visit I succeeded in getting Rev. Hanson, of Dakota Territory, to visit them, and he worked among them two weeks, when we visited again, and effected an organization with 22 members. With one day's work we had subscribed $225 for a pastor's salary. Rev. Hansen was called, and accepted. The people paid him $25 to defray traveling expenses, and we paid him $5 more. He left next morning for his home in Dakota Territory, promising to return to this meeting of Synod. But a letter from him a few days ago states that he has yielded to the urgent appeals of his countrymen in Dakota Territory, and will remain in that large field. But another brother from Chicago has promised conditionally to come. (He left here to-day for Kearney.) We must have a man in this field at once. To be sanctioned and money to pass through the Board of Home Missions.

(7) Beatrice, Gage county. This point I have visited three times, and should have gone there last Sabbath to organize, but could not on account of other work. We can organize with eight or ten substantial members. This is a town of 3,500, and should be occupied at once.

(8) Wymore and Blue Springs, two towns one mile apart, each have about 1,800 souls, and present a fine opening for a German-English pastor. These towns are only twelve miles from Beatrice, and a good, energetic man could supply the whole field for awhile.

(9) Falls City we visited once in the interest of some town lots we have there. We found the property all right: two lots in the heart of a town of 2,500 inhabitants. They are worth $500 in cash. Here I also found Lutherans—twelve or fourteen families—anxious for a church organization and able to support it.

(10) Arlington, Washington county. Have eight members ready to organize. Only one church organization in the place. They want a pastor, and in connection with Blair and the other points in the county, present a fine field. But they must be cared for soon.

(11) Tecumseh has been visited by Brother Melick. He reports several families. They should have the early attention of the Advisory Mission Committee.

(12) Lincoln was visited. This earnest little band now have a pastor that is

a worthy workman. Supported by the W. M. S., the work is moving on under difficulties such as are to be met in city mission work everywhere. The W. M. S. deserve our thanks and hearty support for this noble work, which will soon be a power for good. They organized St. Mark's Ev. Luth. church, under direction of the pastor, July 6th, with fourteen members. A Sunday-school of thirty scholars has been gathered, and the outlook is bright with promise.

(13) Waverly shows abundant prosperity. With their new house of worship and change of location, they will become more Lutheran, and success is sure.

(14) Tekamah never had better prospects than now. The new church at Oakland is finished. Another will probably be built in the mission this synodical year.

(15) West Point is vacant. Earnest efforts are being made to secure a pastor at once. Brother Schnur visited them.

(16) Wayne is moving on. They too have concluded to change location and build a larger house, which shows prosperity.

(17) Clear Creek we have not visited. But through the earnest efforts of Dr. Leisenring and Robert Weidensall, they have a pastor who will speak for himself, by building up a flourishing congregation in the near future.

(18) The congregation at Orleans has been recommended to the B. H. M. for aid in support of pastor, but refused because they are not in connection with Synod.

(19) Ohiowa. This mission being German, we have heard nothing from it. Bro. Thoele will no doubt report.

(20) *Missionary Boxes.* The pressing needs of many of our pastors have been supplied through the generosity of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Lutheran Churches of Dayton, Ohio, Foreston, Illinois, Bloomsburg, York, Johnstown, and Philadelphia, Pa., and Mifflin, Ohio, and Omaha, Neb., to the amount of several hundred dollars in the aggregate. This is a noble work, for which we are all thankful, and the noble women have the thanks and earnest prayers of the recipients for these favors.

(21) *Church Lots* belonging to our church in Cheyenne, Sidney, Laramie City, and Council Bluffs, which are now valuable real estate, demand our immediate attention, lest they be sold for taxes, and lost to the church. Since we received abstracts from Rev. Kuhns, of Westminster, Md., we have not had the time to attend to it, and we recommend that a committee of one be appointed to go and see after them, and that the money be provided to pay traveling expenses. Grand Island, North Platte, Falls City with $10,000 worth of church property, show the benefits, and Tekamah, with a loss of $1,000 by neglect, shows the necessity of prompt action.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

(22) Finally, your Committee would urgently recommend: 1st. That we, as a Synod, do more than we have done towards occupying the promising

fields now open, by supporting one or more missions in addition to the payment of our apportionments to the General Boards.

2d. That the Delegates to General Synod be instructed to urge the division of funds among Synods, so that we may know what amount of money we can expect to spend on our territory each year.

3d. That the work of Advisory Mission Committee be specified as to their relation to the General Board.

Thus we submit our report. We have traveled, in doing this work, over 4,000 miles, organized 4 congregations, with an aggregate of 54 members; spent 7 weeks on the road. With our limited time and no money, we have done what we could. We have no bills to present.

J. W. KIMMEL,
G. H. SCHNUR.

On motion, this report was received and adopted item by item. Pending item seventh of the report of the Advisory Mission Committee, Synod adjourned.

Closed with prayer.

EVENING SESSION.

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 28, 1882.

The evening was devoted to Home Missions.

The following addressed the meeting: Revs. E. Unangst, D. D., J. N. Lenker, and S. B. Barnitz.

SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1882.

Synod assembled, and was called to order by the President. Opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended, in order to hear the report of the Committee on the Applications of New Congregations.

Committee No. 7.—On Applications of New Congregations.

Your Committee on applications for membership of new congregations would report as follows:

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Red Cloud, Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clear Creek, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Kearney, St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Grand Island, St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Lincoln, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of North Platte, and Mt. Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hamilton Co., Neb., have presented papers properly signed. Having examined their several constitutions, and finding them in perfect harmony with the Constitution of the General Synod, we recommend that they be received, and given the privileges of sister congregations of our body. Appended to the application from Red Cloud is also a petition praying that Mr. C. H. Stebbins may be duly licensed and authorized to return to them.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. KIMMEL,
A. T. LUDWIG,
J. J. STEIN.

On motion, this report was adopted.

Advisory Member.

On motion, Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D., from the Synod of East Pennsylvania, was received as an advisory member of this body.

Report of Advisory Mission Committee.

Synod returned to the further consideration of the report of the Advisory Mission Committee.

Appropriation to Kearney.

On item 6th the following was offered:

WHEREAS, Synod has heard of the promising opening at Kearney, and the great need of planting there at once a Lutheran Church; therefore,

Resolved, That Synod agree to furnish $200 in addition to its apportionment, the same to be forwarded to the Board of Home Missions, to be used by the Board in assisting toward the support of a pastor at Kearney.

After due consideration, the report was adopted as a whole.

Resolution of Thanks.

Having heard with pleasure the report of the Advisory Mission Committee, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of Synod are due, and are hereby tendered to this committee, for its zeal in seeking out new places at which to establish Lutheran churches.

The time for adjournment having arrived, Synod closed with prayer.

SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1882, 1:30 P. M.

Synod convened.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. Wm. Rosenstengel was appointed to translate the report of the Advisory Mission Committee, and other matters of importance.

Resolution of Thanks.

The following was offered:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Synod are due, and are hereby tendered, to the U. P. & B. M. and the Chicago, W., St. P. and Omaha Railroads, for special favors shown to us as a church during the year.

Committee No. 4.—Minutes of Last Year.

On motion, this report was received and adopted item by item.

Your Committee would respectfully report that the document placed in their hands is a copy of the Minutes of last year.

1. As far as capable of judging, the Minutes are correct, although there is in some instances a material difference between the English and German; and there is great room for improvement.

2. It is a source of great pleasure that all the vacancies reported at the last meeting of Synod are now supplied.

3. Have the delegates to the Synods of Iowa, Northern Illinois, and Kansas, discharged their duties?

Partly.

4. Have the Commisoners to Carthage College discharged their duty, and are they ready to report?

Yes.

5. Has the Committee on the Printing of the Minutes been successful in arranging to meet expenses?

Yes.

6. Has the Committee to secure a book for recording the Minutes discharged its duty?

Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. SHULTZ,
OTTO KUSS,
G. A. CRANNELL.

Report of Trustees to Carthage College.

Both Trustees of this Synod attended the meeting of the Board in connection with the Commencement Exercises of Carthage College last May. That our institution is highly appreciated by the citizens of Carthage and community, is evident from the large and attentive audiences that crowded the College church to witness the annual Commencement Exercises. The Board appreciate its earnest and well-qualified corps of instructors. Our new President, Dr. Kunkelman, acquitted himself very nobly and faithfully during the year; but his modesty, as well as the financial embarrassment of the College, led him to long to withdraw, notwithstanding his great sacrifice in moving to Carthage. The Board, however, rejoiced to learn that other professors so genuinely and heartily said: "Let *me* go, but hold on to the President." But as our Endowment Fund is small, and the payment of the interest of many of the notes has been neglected as the controlling reason, Profs. Giese and Fasold respectfully tendered their resignations. Prof. G. also desired to begin a purely German work more fully elsewhere, and Prof. F. said he could withdraw much easier than one of his colleagues who have families; so the Board felt constrained, reluctantly, to acquiesce and accept these overtures.

The Trustees felt that the College must be carried on within its income, and therefore were glad to hear the well-digested plan of Dr. Kunkelman, but felt humiliated to be forced to accept of the noble proposition to reduce the salaries of the professors $200 each, beginning with himself. This was not all; that he would also cheerfully relinquish a certain (noble) sum of his salary during the past year. This was augmented by others of his colleagues. Heaven's blessing will not be wanting where men make such sacrifices. Happy the church that has such teachers and pastors!

The teaching force is not to be increased; the noble Faculty that is left will divide the labors among themselves, with the addition of a matron to have charge of the ladies' dormitory, which has been refitted by special contributions of friends, and will also give instruction in special branches.

We would like to state much more, but our finances demand brevity in our Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. SCHNUR,
Stockholder and Trustee,
WM. P. MILLER,
Trustee.

Adopted.

Amendment to Formula of Government.

The following was offered:

WHEREAS, The following amendment to the Formula of Government and Discipline, offered by Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D., was ordered to be sent down to the District Synods for action:

In chapter IV., page 584, which treats of the Church Council, the last sentence of section 4 reads: "They shall also elect one of their number a deputy to represent them at the annual Synodical meeting." Therefore,

Resolved, That this sentence be changed to read: "They shall also elect a member of the Council, or of the congregation, a delegate to represent them at their Synod."

Parochial Reports.

This being the regular order of business, the roll was called, and most of the members responded by reading their reports.

Blank Parochial Reports.

The following was offered:

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to prepare a blank parochial report in German and English, to which shall be added a blank for a report on the state of religion, and that he forward to each pastor of Synod a copy at least four weeks previous to the meeting of Synod.

Address of Dr. Conrad.

The following was offered:

Resolved, That it affords us great pleasure to have Rev. F. W. Conrad, D.D., with us at this meeting of Synod, that we cordially welcome him, and will with pleasure listen to a short address of encouragement; and that we extend the time of our meeting fifteen minutes to hear him.

Dr. Conrad accordingly addressed Synod both in English and German.

Synod adjourned, with the singing of the doxology, and prayer.

EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 29, 7:30 P. M.

The exercises this evening were devoted to Foreign Missions. Rev. E. Unangst, D. D., being with us, addressed the meeting, and was listened to with marked attention.

THIRD DAY—FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30, 1882, 9 A. M.

Synod convened. Opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The minutes were read and approved.

Committee on Apportionment.

The following was offered:

Resolved, That the President appoint a committee of three to prepare an apportionment for the year 1882 to 1883, also a tabulated statement of the present financial condition of this Synod.

The following constitute the committee: Revs. D. H. Shultz, J. P. Schnure, and J. Zimmerman.

Lutheran Publication House.

The following was offered in reference to our Publication House, at Philadelphia, Pa.

It is with pleasure Synod learns of the prosperous condition of the Lutheran Publication Society. It is a source of gratification to know that under its present efficient management, this creature of the Church has become a source of revenue to the various Boards of the Church. As a Synod, we desire to place on record our appreciation of the interest manifested on the part of the Board of Publication, in its gift of $500 worth of literature for use among the mission churches of the west; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we recommend the Lutheran Publication House at Philadelphia to the patronage of pastors and people.

2. That we recommend that the Sunday-school periodicals issued by the same be used by the various schools in connection with this Synod, as being the best for our churches.

3. That as a Synod we do all in our power to increase this branch of church work, that it may become a powerful instrument in the spreading of the Lutheran faith.

4. That the thanks of Synod be extended to the Board of Publication for its timely and valuable gift to the mission churches of the west.

Committee No. 8.—On a Paper from the Mission Conference Held at Nebraska City.

Your Committee would respectfully report that the matter placed in their hands is a paper from the Mission Conference held at Nebraska City, June 6 and 7, 1882.

This Conference recommends that the Advisory Missionary Committee call to its aid such pastors as in its judgment are best adapted for the work.

Furthermore, each pastor has been requested to suggest to the Advisory Missionary Committee such pastors as they may deem suitable; and that the chairman of the Committee correspond with those recommended, and if possible secure their services.

In the judgment of your Committee, such a mode of procedure is entirely out of order. It is the province of the Board of Home Missions alone

to appoint pastors to new fields; the Advisory Missionary Committee of this Synod has no authority to appoint pastors.

We therefore recommend that no pastor be appointed by this Committee, and that it go no farther than to suggest suitable men to the Board of Home Missions.

This Conference furthermore suggests that Synod take into consideration the appointment of a State Missionary, whose whole time can be devoted to the work.

We recommend that Synod take this matter into consideration.

In reference to the matter suggested by Rev. J. F. Kuhlman, your Committee is of the opinion that the Advisory Missionary Committee in existence makes an additional committee unnecessary.

Respectfully submitted, M. S. CRESSMAN,
A. B. SHRADER,
WM. THOELE.

Adopted.

Committee No. 2.—Auditing Committee.

The matter placed in the hands of your Committee is the Treasurer's Report. We have carefully examined the same, and find it correct as to the amounts paid out, except that we find no voucher for $10 reported to have been paid to Rev. J. C. Brodführer from the traveling State Missionary account. We would, however, wish to call the attention of Synod to the fact that we have no means by which to determine whether the amounts paid by the various charges correspond with the receipts of the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted, M. L. EASTERDAY,
J. N. LENKER,
J. BENDER.

Adopted.

Address of Dr. Unangst.

The following was offered:

Resolved, That we as a Synod are highly gratified to have Dr. Unangst, of India, with us; that we listened with pleasure and profit to his excellent address last evening; and that we would be pleased to listen to an address from him at this time.

Dr. Unangst then addressed Synod for a short time, and sang the Lord's Prayer and a few other hymns in Telegu.

Division of Conferences.

The following was presented to Synod:

With your permission I would recommend to Synod the following change in the resolution passed at West Point, in reference to the two conferences:

Resolved, That the two Conferences of Synod be known hereafter as the English and German Conferences of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska; that these two Conferences be divided, not geographically, but according to language; and that the German brethren compose the German, and the English brethren the English Conference. WM. THOELE.

Adopted.

The time for adjournment having arrived, Synod adjourned with prayer, to meet at 1 p. m. as a Ministerium.

THIRD DAY—SECOND SESSION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2 P. M.

Synod convened, and was opened with prayer.

The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. B. F. Pugh, on the presentation of his credentials from the Synod of Northern Illinois, as a delegate from that body, was received. He presented verbally the fraternal greetings of his Synod.

Committee No. 10.—On Apportionment and Tabulated Statement.

APPORTIONMENT FOR SYNODICAL YEAR 1882–83.

PASTORS AND THEIR CONGREGATIONS.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Educational Fund.	Synodical Treasury.
G. F. Stelling, D. D.	$16 51	$13 97	$10 16	$16 35	$19 55
J. Dirks	36 79	31 13	22 64	14 15	42 45
J. G. Grœnmiller	12 35	10 45	7 60	4 75	14 25
G. H. Schnur	2 99	2 53	1 84	1 15	3 45
J. P. Schnure	13 78	11 66	8 48	5 30	15 90
J. Wolf	20 67	17 49	12 72	7 95	23 85
J. W. Kimmel	11 05	9 35	6 80	4 25	12 75
J. Daiss	8 45	7 15	5 20	3 25	9 75
A. T. Ludwig	6 89	5 83	4 24	2 65	7 85
C. Moessner	18 20	15 40	11 20	7 00	21 00
G. Nagel	16 25	13 75	12 00	6 25	18 25
Wm. Thoele	4 94	4 18	3 04	1 90	5 70
M. L. Melick	8 58	7 26	5 28	3 30	9 90
F. Spiegle	6 37	5 39	3 92	2 45	7 35
F. W. Scheibel	17 68	14 96	12 88	6 80	20 40
D. H. Shultz	5 98	5 06	3 68	2 30	6 90
H. W. Fricke	11 05	9 35	6 80	4 25	12 75
Otto Kuns	5 20	4 40	3 20	2 00	6 00
M. S. Cressman	1 95	1 65	1 20	75	2 25
A. B. Shrader	3 90	3 30	2 40	1 50	4 50
Wm. Rosenstengel	12 40	8 80	6 40	4 00	12 00
I. N. Augustine	2 24	1 98	1 44	90	2 70
J. Bond	8 45	7 15	5 20	3 25	9 75
C. H. Stebbins	1 43	1 21	88	55	1 65
C. Huber	91	77	56	35	1 05

TABULAR STATEMENT, 1881 AND 1882.

PASTORS.	P. O. ADDRESS.	Apportionment.	Amount Paid.	Deficit.	Excess.
Dr. G.F. Stelling	Omaha	$32 00	$100 00		$68 00
J. H. Dirks	Febing	89 28	35 00		34 28
G. H. Schnur	Wayne		29 00		29 00
J. G. Grōenmiller	Hanover, Kansas	35 20	36 00		80
J. P. Schnure	Dakota	30 72	44 00		13 28
J. Wolf	Hooper	71 04	317 00		245 96
J. W. Kimmel	Tekamah	24 00	150 00		126 00
J. Daiss	Fontanelle	20 80	4 67	16 13	
A. T. Ludwig	West Point	16 96	10 00	6 96	
C. Moessner	Columbus		5 00		5 00
G. Nagel	Barada	38 40		38 40	
Wm. Thoele	Ohiowa	9 92	6 12	3 80	
M. L. Melick	Waverly	18 88	6 00	12 88	
F. Spriegle	Nehawka	35 52	12 13	23 39	
F. Scheibel	Amazon	43 52		43 52	
D. H. Shultz	Rising	5 24	45 00		39 76
H. W. Fricke	Wisner	15 00	15 00		
H. Siekman.					
Otto Kuss	Ponca	23 68	7 50	16 18	
M. S. Cressman, *	Lincoln		7 00		7 00
C. Huber	Clear Creek		11 00		11 00
W. Rosenstengel	Nebraska City	43 91	43 91		
I. N. Augustine	Carlton		1 00	1 00	

*Organized July, 1882.

D. H. SHULTZ,
J. P. SHNURE,
J. ZIMMERMAN.
Committee.

Committee No. 9.—Vacant Congregations.

Your Committee on Vacant Congregations would present the following report:

1. Arago, by the removal of Rev. G. Nagel, will become vacant on the 1st of November, and should be occupied as soon as possible.

2. Glasco, in Kansas, is a small German congregation, but the prospects are good if the right man would take hold of it. A pastor cannot labor there without receiving aid. The congregation belongs to Synod. Your Committee would therefore recommend that this congregation receive aid.

3. Orleans. This field was visited by one of the committee two years ago. There are about twenty families here, most of whom came from Wisconsin, where they belonged to the Missouri Synod. They had been served by a

traveling missionary. The land there is poor, hence some are in poverty. The spirit of partyism has also manifested itself among them. Since there are, however, other Germans settling there, a good congregation could be built up, should the right man be secured. This congregation also would need aid, and is therefore recommended to Synod as a mission field.

There are other congregations in the vicinity of Hastings and Bloomington which are vacant, but your Committee has nothing to report concerning them. Respectfully submitted,

J. WOLFF,
M. S. CRESSMAN,
W. P. MILLER.

Adopted.

Western Secretary.

The following was offered in reference to our Western Secretary of Home Missions, Rev. S. B. Barnitz:

Resolved, 1st, That we rejoice in the establishing of the office of Western Secretary of Home Missions by our Board at York, and that we endorse the appointment of Rev. S. B. Barnitz to this position.

Resolved, 2d, That we appreciate and approve the work he has done and is doing among our churches.

Resolved, 3d, That we are glad to have him in our midst at this time, and would with pleasure listen to some words of counsel and encouragement.

Rev. S. B. Barnitz, upon invitation, addressed the meeting, giving us some cheering reports concerning his work.

Resolutions on the Death of Rev. A. D. Rowe.

The following was offered:

Resolved, 1st, That we have heard with heartfelt sorrow of the death of our beloved brother, Rev. A. D. Rowe, who so recently returned to his mission work in India.

Resolved, 2d, That a committee of five be appointed to prepare a suitable minute, and make arrangements for the holding of a memorial service on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The following were appointed:

P. S. Leisenring, M. D., C. H. Stebbins, Miss Lou Leisenring, Miss Mary Olinger, Miss Sarah Mellck.

The Work of Severinghaus & Co.

The following was offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, The German interests, within the bounds of this Synod, as well as elsewhere, demand the introduction and circulation of church periodicals and literature; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That we heartily rejoice in the continual efforts on the part of Severinghaus & Co., of Chicago, to supply our people with German literature.

Resolved, 2d, That each pastor in this Synod endeavor to introduce and circulate the *Kirchenfreund* and other papers published by them.

Synod now adjourned to give place to the preparatory services previously announced.

The sermon was preached by Rev. J. P. Schnure, and the liturgical service was conducted by the President.

THIRD DAY—THIRD SESSION.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 4 P. M.

Synod had another session immediately after preparatory services.

Opened with prayer.

Commmittee No 1.—President's Report.

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have examined the President's Report, and find that he has faithfully attended to his official duties during the year.

We would recommend that the various recommendations in reference to our work be taken up item by item.

Respectfully submitted, J. G. GRÖENMILLER,
J. WOLFF.

Adopted.

The President's report was taken up, and the reecommendations considered.

Recommendation 4 in the report was amended so as to read: "That the Advisory Missionary Committee should attend to that business."

Committee No. 5.—On Excuses.

The papers placed in the hands of your committee are:

1. A letter from Rev. G. W. Simpson, stating that he is daily awaiting orders to change location. If he shall receive orders to stay on the post by September 26th, he will start at once for Synod. He has about 500 miles to travel to get here. Should he fail to get here, he begs leave to be excused. He will forward $2 for Synod, and $15 for missions.

2. A letter from Rev. F. W. Scheibel, in which he states that it is impossible for him to come to Synod on account of poverty, having received only $10 salary the last six months.

Resolved, That these brethren be excused.

Respectfully submitted, J. P. SCHNURE,
CHAS. MOESSNER,
C. HEISE.

Adopted.

Red Cloud.

WHEREAS, It is with pleasure that we have heard of the work of Mr. C. H. Stebbins; *And Whereas*, He has passed a creditable examination; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend him to the confidence of the people at Red Cloud, and to the Board of Home Missions for aid in his support.

Delegates to Sister Synods.

On motion, the President was authorized to appoint delegates to Sister Synods.

Rev. J. P. Schnure, to the Synod of Northern Illinois.

Rev. J. W. Kimmel, to the Synod of Iowa.

Rev. J. G, Gröenmiller, to the Kansas Synod.

On motion, the officers of Synod and Mr. M. L. Easterday were constituted the Advisory Missionary Committee.

Delegates to the General Synod.

On motion, Synod entered upon the election of Delegates to General Synod.

The tellers appointed were Revs. J. P. Schnure and H. W. Fricke.

Clerical—Principals: Revs. J. G. Gröenmiller, G. H. Schnur, J. H. Dirks. Alternates: Revs. D. H. Shultz, J. Wolff, and J. W. Kimmel.

Lay—Principals: Messrs. P. S. Leisenring, M. L. Easterday, and Jonas Bender. Alternates: Messrs. W. P. Miller, G. A. Crannell, and M. Trautman.

Vote of Thanks.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Synod are due, and are hereby tendered, to the kind people of Waverly for their generous hospitality.

Synod now adjourned, to meet again after services this evening. Closed with prayer.

EVENING SESSION.

SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT. 30, 1882, 7:30.

Ordination Sermon,

Rev. F. W. Conrad preached a very excellent sermon from 1

Cor. i. 23. Subject—Christ and Him crucified, the great theme of redemption.

Ordination.

Revs. A. B. Shrader and H. W. Fricke were then ordained.

Licensure.

Messrs. C. H. Stebbins and W. Th. Grommisch were licensed for one year.

THIRD DAY—FOURTH SESSION.

Pursuant to previous announcement, Synod convened after the evening services. Opened with prayer.

Trustees to Carthage College.

On motion, Rev. G. H. Schnur and W. P. Miller were elected trustees to Carthage College for two years.

Traveling Missionary.

Resolved, That Synod allow the German Conference to appoint a traveling missionary, said Conference to pay the same in addition to its apportionment, and the missionary to be responsible to Synod.

Synodical Treasury.

Resolved, That each pastor endeavor to raise one dollar for Synodical Treasury, to meet the traveling expenses of Trustees to Carthage College.

Printing of Minutes.

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to have 800 copies of the Minutes printed—400 English and 400 German.

Synod adjourned with prayer.

SUNDAY MORNING.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1882, 10:30 A. M.

The morning service was devoted to the dedication of the new church at Waverly. Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D., preached the sermon. It was a happy and pleasant service to all.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

OCTOBER 1, 3 P. M.

This afternoon, according to announcement, was set apart for the memorial service of our departed missionary, Rev. A. D. Rowe.

Rev. S. B. Barnitz opened these solemn services.

The committee which had been appointed made the following report.

WHEREAS, It is with deep sorrow that we have heard of the death of our much-beloved brother, Rev. A. D. Rowe, who so recently returned to his mission work in India; and

WHEREAS, God's mysterious providences are past finding out. Therefore,

Resolved, That we, as a Synod and individuals, humbly bow to Divine Wisdom, who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That our hearts go out in deep sympathy to his sadly stricken family, and we most humbly pray God to comfort them, as He only can, when the heart is crushed with sorrow.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on our Minutes, published in the *Lutheran Observer* and other Church papers, and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Rowe in India.

Respectfully submitted,

P. S. LEISENRING,
C. H. STEBBINS,
MISS M. OLINGER,
MISS LOU S. LEISENRING,
MISS SARAH MELICK.

Dr. Unangst, a co-laborer with Brother Rowe, being present, addressed the audience. A number of addresses were made by the brethren, both ministerial and lay.

SUNDAY EVENING.

Installation and Communion.

Rev. M. L. Melick was installed this evening. The charge to the pastor was delivered by Rev. M. S. Cressman, and to the people by Rev. S. B. Barnitz. This was followed by the Synodical and congregation communion..

FINAL SESSION.

After the ending of the services of this evening, Synod was called to order, there being but a few matters to finish the business of Synod.

Opened with prayer.

Place for Next Meeting.

On motion, Red Cloud was chosen as the place for holding next meeting of Synod.

Time.

On motion, the appointing of the time was left to the officers of Synod and the pastor *loci*.

Resolution of Appreciation.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure our dear brother, Rev. J. N. Lenker, lately returned from Europe, on the subject of Missions and Emigraton; and that we highly approve and encourage him in the work he has so much at heart.

There being no more business, Synod adjourned, to meet at Red Cloud at the time to be appointed, by singing the Doxology, and the Benediction by the President.

Thus ended the Tenth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska.

C. HUBER, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1 P. M.

The Ministerium convened pursuant to announcement.
Opened with prayer.

Report of Examining Committee.

The Examining Committee would respectfully report that they have before them the following brethren:

1. Rev. H. W. Fricke, a licentiate of this Synod, labored with reasonable success during the year. He is not so well qualified in literary and theological attainments as the standard of our church requires; but being a pious and self-sacrificing brother, he will doubtless be an efficient worker in the vineyard; and hence, since there is a great need of pastors among our German population, we would recommend him for ordination.

2. Albert B. Shrader, a licentiate of the Allegheny Synod, comes regularly dismissed to this body. Having enjoyed a full literary and theological course, and possessing the necessary qualifications, we recommend him for ordination.

3. Mr. C. H. Stebbins, called by the new congregation at Red Cloud, is before us for licensure. We find the brother devoted and pious, ready for labor and sacrifice. He has attended Roanoke College for three years. We recommend him to be licensed for one year.

4. W. T. Grommisch, a German student of theology from the class of Prof. Giese, we find pious, sound in doctrine, and will in our judgment become a good worker in the church. We recommend him to be licensed for one year.

5. Rev. Henry Siekman, a former pastor from the Evangelical Synod of North America, has had a satisfactory colloquium with the Examining Committee; and we recommend him to be received as a member of this body. His papers are entirely satisfactory.

6. Rev. J. Gutleben, of Fontanelle, an Evangelist from Germany, who is well qualified for pastoral labor, has been examined by several of the brethren. He has been called as the successor of Rev. J. Daiss. We recommend him for ordination—since he cannot be present, that the ceremony be performed by Revs. G. H. Schnur and J. Wolff.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GRÖENMILLER,
J. P. SCHNURE,
J. WOLFF,
J. H. DIRKS.

Adopted.

No other business being before the Ministerium, it adjourned with prayer.

C. HUBER, *Secretary.*

SERMONS AND ADDRESSES.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Opening sermon, Rev. G. H. Schnur.

Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Home Mission addresses, by Revs. E. Unangst, D. D., J. N. Lenker, and S. B. Barnitz.

Friday, 7:30 p. m.—Foreign Mission address, by Rev. E. Unangst, D. D.

Saturday, 3 p. m.—Preparatory sermon, by Rev. J. P. Schnure.

Saturday, 7:30 p. m.—Ordination. Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D.

Sunday, 10:30 a. m.—Dedication. Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D.

Sunday, 3 p. m.—Memorial service. A number of the brethren made addresses.

Sunday, 7:30 p. m.—Installation. Revs. M. S. Cressman and S. B. Barnitz.

CALENDAR, 1882-1883.

OFFICERS OF SYNOD.

President.—Rev. G. H. Schnur, Wayne, Nebraska.

English Secretary.—Rev. C. Huber, Clear Creek, Nebraska.

German Secretary.—Rev. J. H. Dirks, Febing, Nebraska.

Treasurer.—C. F. Goodman, Omaha, Nebraska.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

Revs. G. F. Stelling, D. D., J. G. Gröenmiller, J. Wolff, J. P. Schnure, J. H. Dirks.

ADVISORY MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Revs. G. H. Schnur, C. Huber, J. H. Dirks, and Mr. M. L. Easterday, Lincoln, Nebraska.

TRUSTEES TO CARTHAGE COLLEGE.

Rev. G. H. Schnur, Wayne, Nebraska, 1882–1884; Mr. Wm. P. Miller, Rising, Nebraska, 1882–1884.

DELEGATES TO GENERAL SYNOD.

CLERICAL.

Principal.	*Alternate.*
Rev. J. G. Gröenmiller,	Rev. D. H. Shultz,
Rev. G. H. Schnur,	Rev. J. Wolff,
Rev. J. H. Dirks.	Rev. J. W. Kimmel.

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Mr. J. Bender.	Mr. M. Trautman.

DELEGATES TO SISTER SYNODS.

Rev. J. P. Schnure, Synod of Northern Illinois.
Rev. J. W. Kimmel, Synod of Iowa.
Rev. J. G. Gröenmiller, Synod of Kansas.

PLACE OF NEXT CONVENTION.

Red Cloud.—Rev. C. H. Stebbins, pastor.

PAROCHIAL REPORT.

NAMES OF PASTORS.	Entered the Ministry	P. O. ADDRESS.	Number of				No. Received by				Losses by			Number of Communicants.	Sunday-schools.				Scholars in Parochial Schools.	Benevolent Contributions.									
			Congregations.	Preaching Stations.	Prayer-meetings.	Catechumens.	Infant Baptism.	Adult Baptism.	Confirmation.	Certificates or Profession.	Death.	Dismission.	Excommunication.		Union.	Lutheran.	Teachers.	Scholars.		Synodical Treasury.	Gen. Synod Treasury.	Education.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Woman's Society.	Local Objects.	General Benevolence.	Traveling Missionary.
1. G. F. Stelling, D. D.		Omaha	1	1	1	15	22	2	1	24	2			127	1	1	15	185		$10 00	$10 00		$20 00	$70 00	$10 00	$55 00	$4000 00	$10 00	
2. J. G. Gröenmiller	1858	Hanover	2	1		15	30		10					95	2		60	22					36 20				55 00	
3. G. H. Schnur	1860	Wayne	1	2	1	8	5		2	9	2			23	1	4	40			5 00			12 00	5	12 00	1 00	300 00	5 00	
4. J. P Schnure	1863	Dakota City	4	2		2	7		2	16		8		106	2	2	16	100		3 40	3 00		12 00		22 00	5 00	335 00	23 00	
5. J. Wolff	1863	Hooper	3	1			49		15		6			159	1		45	30		10 00			72 00	45 00	200 00				
6. Wm. Thoele	1870	Ohiowa	1			13	4		1	1	2			38	1	1	6	40	30	1 00	1 00	$1 00	2 12	2 00	2 00	1 50			$2 00
7. D. H. Shultz	1875	Rising	3			16			1	7	1	3		46	3		17	165		2 57		1 00	12 50	12 50	20 00		44 78		
8. J. W. Kimmel	1876	Tekamah	3	5	1		7	6	3	17	2	1		85	1	3	19	300		6 00			23 00	32 00	95 00	87 00	1450 00	5 00	
9. F. W. Scheibel	1876	Amazon		3			14		4		1			136															
10. J. H. Dirks	1876	Febing	1	3		36			18	3	10	12		283	1	1	11	90	83	5 50			15 00	20 00		5 00	500 00	45 00	
11. M. S. Cressman *a*	1877	Lincoln	1		1		1							15	1	1	5	30					7 00				450 00		
12. C. Huber *b*	1877	Clear Creek	1		1		3	1						7	1		6	40		3 00	2 91		4 50	4 50	2 00		73 50		
13. G. Nagel	1878	Barada	2	3			20		4		7			125		3	2	40		4 50						15 50		10 00	
14. J. Daiss	1879	Fontanelle	1		1		12		3		4			65			7	50		2 00	2 00		2 67	2 00		1 00	25 00	20 00	7 00
15. A. T. Ludwig	1879	West Point	1	1		5	11		3			3		53						3 00	2 00		10 00			1 60	141 60		
16. C. Moessner	1879	Columbia	1	3			48	1	12		1			140					24	5 00				5 00			700 00		
17. M. L. Melick	1879	Waverly	2				3			11	1	3		66	2		9	74		2 00			2 00	2 00	2 00	146 50	1310 16		
18. Wm. Rosenstengel	1879	Nebraska City	1	1		17	53	2	17	31	3			80		2	17	210	30	4 00	4 00		20 00	20 00	3 91		192 75		
19. F. Spriegel	1880	Nehawka	3				33		9		13			49			4	35		3 00			7 00	5 13					
20. Otto Kuss	1880	Ponca	1	1			8							40					10	2 00			2 00				75 00	1 45	2 00
21. H. W. Fricke	1881	Wisner	1	3		20	17		6		14	1		85						2 00	3 00		7 00	4 00	4 00	1 00	150 00		5 00
22. A. B. Shrader	1881	Ponca	1	1	1							1		30		1	8	60		2 00	1 50	1 50	2 00	2 00	1 50	8 10	97 00	1 00	2 07
23. I. N. Augustine *c*		Carleton	1	1	1		2			2	1			18	1	1	10	75		85			1 00						
			36	31	8	147	349	12	111	121	70	32		1971	10	20	146	1639	229	$76 82	$29 41	$3 50	$233 79	$277 13	$374 41	$328 30	$9844 79	$175 45	$18 07

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